

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the Western Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. met at the office of the Cooperative for the monthly meeting on December 19, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Crossland. The following trustees were present: Crossland, Hobbs, Joy, Rohleder, Heier, Schaus, Keller and Weinhold. Also present were Tom Ruth, General Manager; Stacey Malsam; Dennis Deines; Sophia Young and E. Jay Deines, Attorney, who kept the minutes of the meeting. Absent was Charles Luetters.

The minutes of the meeting held November 21, 2019 were presented. The minutes were approved as presented. The agenda was approved as presented.

There was a discussion on Jackson Thornton-Kelso Merger unwind. At the end of the discussion, it was moved by Schaus and seconded by Hobbs to retain Kevin Kelso to do the annual audit. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

The Rules & Regulations for Western Cooperative Electric were presented. There was a good discussion on deposits. At the end of the discussion, it was moved by Rohleder and seconded by Keller to approve the proposed Rules & Regulations. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

Tom Ruth, Manager, reported on monthly activities as set out in the agenda. Stacey reported on several items of intent to the board.

Manager Ruth reported on several items and Dennis and Sophia reported on Member Services of interest to the board.

Tom Ruth gave the Manager's report and financial report.

A list of delinquent accounts to be written off the books, a list of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Schaus and seconded by Heier to approve the write-offs. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

Manager Ruth reported on his expenses during the last month.

Joy reported on Sunflower activities for the last month.

The board re-convened in the community room and the meeting was opened to public conference calls for any member to participate. No members were in attendance either in person or on the phone. The board held a discussion over the proposed Consolidated Rate Tariffs. It was moved by Joy and seconded by Schaus to approve the proposed tariffs. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

Checks numbered 62760 through 62948 were reviewed and discussed. It was moved by Hobbs and seconded by Keller that the checks be accepted as printed. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

A list of members requesting a refund or transfer patronage capital credits, which list is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Weinhold and seconded by Heier to approve the request for refund of patronage capital credits. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

The Federated and CRC reports were given by Manager Ruth.

The KEC report was given by Hobbs.

The minutes of the November 2019 safety meeting were reviewed and discussed.

A list of contracts for electrical service, a list of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Hobbs and seconded by Heier to execute the contracts listed and attached hereto on behalf of the Cooperative. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

A list of applicants for membership, a list of which is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was presented. It was moved by Rohleder and seconded by Keller that the applicants be approved for membership. Upon vote taken, the motion carried.

Tom gave updates on the Collyer Pumping Station.

Manager Ruth reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

It was noted that Hobbs is a candidate for President of KEC. It was the consensus of the board that Western Cooperative Electric pay expenses for his additional trips and duties for his KEC job.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting will be January 16, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.


Secretary

Approved by:


President